

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Prior to entry of this Amendment, the application included claims 1-36. Claims 1, 13 and 25 have been amended. Claims 7 and 26-36 have been canceled. Hence, after entry of this Amendment, claims 1-6 and 8-25 stand pending for examination.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-12 and 25-36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0129129 to Bloch et al. (“Bloch”) in view of the publication entitled “SDML - Signed Document Markup Language” (“SDML”). Claims 13-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Bloch in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,314,451 to Landsman et al. (“Landsman”).

Independent claims 1, 13 and 25 have been amended to more clearly point out that the application created from the downloaded text files is an application that is executable independent from the program that created the application. This recitation is not found in Bloch. Indeed, Bloch teaches the opposite, that the application is executable only within the program (the AVM) that created it.

For instance, paragraph [0028] describes the AVM as providing “a method for deploying and executing Extensible Markup Language applications . . .” Paragraph [0030] states that “[t]he AVM interprets XML and other code downloaded from a web server on the network computer to render a full-featured application on the client computer with a native look and feel for the client operating system platform on which it is installed.” Paragraphs [0032] and [0033] describe the AVM as providing a GUI interface for XML applications. Paragraph [0034] notes that “[t]he AVM is capable of assembling and executing a robust application . . .” Paragraph [0044] states that the AVM may be used “for deploying and implementing a software application . . .”

Most strikingly, paragraph [0047] states that “the AVM is used to execute ‘Virtual Applications’ that are assembled from files and programs residing on one or more

computers on a network. Only AVM 221 is installed on a Client Device 10. Other files residing on Network Server(s) 131 are downloaded over a Network 121 to assemble the complete Virtual Application 20 that is then executed by the AVM 221 on the Client Device 10.” Paragraph [0047] goes on to note that “[t]he XML Files 144 and Image Files 145 specify the appearance and behavior of the assembled Virtual Application 20 during execution by the AVM 221 and in response to user interactions during such execution.”

Various other portions of Bloch describe applications as being downloaded and executed by the AVM. Thus, because the AVM does not produce an application that is executable independent from the AVM, the independent claims are distinguishable from Bloch. Moreover, SDML does not rectify the deficiencies in Bloch. Accordingly, each and every element of the independent claims are not taught or suggested by the cited prior art.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

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